



General Assembly

January Session, 2015

**Proposed Bill No. 5485**

LCO No. 837



Referred to Committee on HIGHER EDUCATION AND  
EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT

Introduced by:  
REP. LESSER, 100th Dist.

**AN ACT DEFINING AN INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETE AS AN  
EMPLOYEE FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING PURPOSES IN  
CERTAIN SITUATIONS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General  
Assembly convened:

1 That the general statutes be amended to define a student of a public  
2 institution of higher education as an employee of such institution for  
3 the purposes of collective bargaining in accordance with the provisions  
4 of sections 5-270 to 5-280, inclusive, of the general statutes when the  
5 student (1) receives a scholarship from such institution or a foundation  
6 associated with such institution for not less than ninety per cent of the  
7 cost of tuition at such institution, (2) the scholarship is materially  
8 related to the student's expected participation in intercollegiate  
9 athletics, and (3) revenues generated by such institution in the prior  
10 academic year for the athletic program in which the student is  
11 expected to participate, when divided by the total number of students  
12 expected to participate in such athletic program, exceeds four hundred  
13 per cent of the value of such scholarship.

**Statement of Purpose:**

To provide for fair conditions for Connecticut student athletes.